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Tuesday, January 1.

To New York, on side calls with M. F. & V. S. Campbell --

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Tuesday, January 1.

In New York -- made calls with R. P. & W. W. Campbell --
little snow -- had sleigh.

Friday, February 22.

Washington's birthday -- some military in streets--
Balls as usual -- This day should be more enthusiastically
noticed -- At Home P.M. & evening.

Sunday, February 23.

A.M. heard Dr. Dewey preach - P.M. wrote Mr. Campbell &
went to see Mr. McDickson from Rock Island, Ill - at home in
evening - rainy night - Steamer Liverpool arrived - 18 days -
took southern passage - Experiment tested.

Monday, February 24.

Attended party with wife at E. Strong, Esq., 72 Leonard
St. rained in A.M. -- The P.M. & evening pleasant--talked good
deal with George Griswold, Esq. - saw Messrs. Gray & Weeks--
not before in 10 years--

Tuesday, February 25.

Pleasant A.M., rainy & windy P.M. took cold having gone down
without over coat -- was disappointed about getting Papers
executed with Mr. Halsey- at Home after dinner. boisterous
rainy night.

Wednesday, February 27.

Pleasant overhead--closed business with Mr. Halsey--down
town all day--No dinner -- spent pleasant evening at home as usual.

Thursday, February 28.

Morning lovely-cloudy P.M. Evening rain, snow. & wind--
attended Historical Lecture W.E.C. --good--home & had some fun
at supper--Letter from C. J. W. to day with \$20 -- good
yankee letter.

Friday, March 1.

Windy A.M.--pleasant P.M. & evening--Boats only reach
Newark yet -- bo't back for son -- called on Bleeker & home to
dinner,--R.P.C. & wife W.E.C. & wife called & spent evening.

Saturday, March 2.

At 8 A.M. went to Synagogue - was interested with services
& Jessies- Most lovely Day - Home to dinner. Evening to Rob't's
with wife --invitation to Mr. Weeks & Carrol Place & W.E.C. for
Wednesday--read till 12 night.

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Monday, March 4.

Cold Sunday--attended Church at University with Mr. Palmer in A.M.--In evening to Mr. Bellows' church with wife--heard good sermon from Mr. Dewey--very cold.

Cold to day (Monday) Congress adj 5 this A.M. Saw G. S. Hubbard--agreed to arbitrate--evening went over to Hobb's with wife again & had good time--money tight in Wall Street these days.

Tuesday, March 5.

Weather more mild. Boats only go to Poughkeepsie--have once been to Hudson--had interview with Hubbard--advertised the 5th Ave. & Madison St. houses for sale on this day week--Main war the "topick" of general interest--

Wednesday, March 6.

Very mild & lovely day--down town till dinner as usual--in evening went to W.W.C. party--Gov. Marcy, Bancroft, Stone, Morgan & Gay & fashionable gathering. but modern city gentility is a stranger to comfort & often to decency--Home at 1 o'clock A.M.--Saw Hubbard again.

Thursday, March 7.

Another very pleasant day--down town till dinner--then down again to meet Mr. Hubbard & back having walked at least 10 miles--money tight yet--feel effects of party--to bed at 10 P.M.

Friday, March 8.

Met Hubbard--to Court of Sessions--heard Daniel Paul Brown & A. L. Jordan sum up. E. spoke all round court room--J --- to the Jury--evening to Masonic Hall to great Political meeting to hear Hon. H. P. Talmage--rainy--home at 9.

Saturday, March 9.

Steamer Liverpool left at 2 P.M. Fine show--lovely day--escorted wife & Mrs. R.P.C. to Synagogue.

Money market tight--war prosperity--Spent evening at 4th Street with wife.

Sunday, March 10.

A.M. heard Dr. Dewey preach--cold windy day--Boats will probably reach Albany--The news from Canada & N. Brunswick more warlike--very cold P.M. & evening--staid in.

Monday, March 11.

Cold March weather--down town all day--lost my dinner--The monetary system is deranged & business of all kinds dull--Much sound & fury about war but all signifieth nothing--I think.

Tuesday, March 12.

Pleasant day--houses did not sell--"Too blue" as Liecker said.

Did not go down town after dinner--Why should man be always in anxiety--I will compose myself.

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Wednesday, March 13.

Pleasant day--very tight times--stocks depressed--money 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ per month on best paper--Had I been selfish I now should have been relieved of all trouble about money--"too generous" has injured my purse & name.

Thursday, March 14.

Pleasant March weather--river open to Albany minus 23 miles--wrote to Woolson--to meet me in Albany next Sunday week--Spent evening at Robts.

Friday, March 15.

Another pleasant day--after dinner went with wife & son to see Ciraffe--at Museum--

War fever subsiding --What an excitable people!--

Saturday, March 16.

Lovely day--Called on Mr. Webster. Home & spent quiet evening.

Sunday, March 17.

Church A.M. to Dr. Skinner's--very pleasant day--P.M. called again on Mr. Webster--evening home as usual.

Monday, March 18.

Pleasant day--Packet Toronto Capt. Griswold arrived--had long talk with Mr. Webster--business dull, money tight-- R.P.C. & wife over with us in evening.

Tuesday, March 19.

Mr. Webster left for Boston to-day told me he intended to go to Europe this spring--possibly as Spl. Minister--pleasant day--Mrs. Col. Bales gave little party at our house this evening--good singing.

Wednesday, March 20.

Fair morning--Rainy P.M. everything dull--Evening at S. Campbell's with wife & Mrs. R.P.C. Spent the P.M. with Capt. Griswold & dined with him & Capt. Perara at Delmonico's--Found my old Friend -- Mackintosh.

Thursday, March 21.

Wet misty day--down town all day getting ready to go home--stocks still falling--evening at W.W.C.'s with wife, Miss Nickols & Mrs. Keese.

Money affairs deranged--Capt. G--at our house in evening.

Friday, March 22.

Pleasant summer day--called on Capt. Griswold--made some little purchases & got ready to leave to-morrow--all the 4th Street friends over in evening.

Saturday, March 23.

Pleasant day again--All the boarders dined at Home, to bid good-bye. Mr. Storrow sent round the Champagne--left at 3 P.M. on "Rochester." All boarders escorted away.

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Sunday, March 24.

Found ourselves at Coeymans this A.M. ice prevented going farther--took coach for Albany--reached 3 miles in 2 1/2 hours & had to stop as wife was sick--at 1 P.M. started again & reached Albany at 8 P.M.--pleasant weather.

Monday, March 25.

At Mansion House Albany--been in both houses of Legislature--weak-weak--saw many old acquaintances in lobby--very pleasant day.

Tuesday, March 26.

Still at Albany--heard Col. Young abuse the "Internal Improvement" system. In House nothing of interest--Saw my old friend Dean now Professor--good fellow.

Wednesday, March 27.

At Albany yet, very lovely day--went to Troy with son--attended Legislature & find the Assembly contains snooking little talent--our legislation is uncertain & changing--the new White Administration is not a "unit." State loan of \$1,000,000 5 per cent taken at par.

Thursday, March 28.

At Albany yet--another summer day--The Assembly this A.M. conducted like boys--Col. Young a philippic vs. Internal Improvement--a man of strong mind but out of joint--got ready to leave tomorrow A.M.

Friday, March 29.

Left Albany for Cooperstown--reached home 11 A.M. Found a good fire & Mr. Campbell waiting us at Apple Hill. Roads muddy from Fort Plain to C--10 hours going 80 miles--Mohawk banks walled with ice.

Saturday, March 30.

at Cooperstown--put house in order--fine day--evening over at Mr. Campbell's. Dear little Jane came running home before had breakfasted.

Sunday, March 31.

Lovely day--to church Rev. F.T. Tiffany--he was quite recovered--rejoiced--people look natural--Cooper called us in P.M.

Monday, April 1.

Summer weather--at office all day--agreed to go to N. East Erie Co. Penn. to contract with Mr. Dickson about farm next year--Apple Hill looks pleasant & lovely--had I money enough should like to stay here.

Tuesday, April 2.

Went down to Hartwick to see Turner Leavitt my nephew--fine scholar 9 1/2 years old--Campbell & Jane go to Miss Holt--son ran away with me--Roads dry as summer & as pleasant as possible.

Wednesday, April 3.

Govt. J. Campbell arrives from N.Y. Urges to go to Albany with him on the morrow--stayed at Mr. Campbell's.

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Thursday, April 4.

Left home for Albany with Robt. Woolson arrived last night 11 P.M. he is to meet me with Cooper tomorrow. Reached Albany 3 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Friday, April 5.

Robt. left for N.Y. from Albany this P.M. Woolson & Cooper arrived. Talked over old times--W--is in trouble--sorry.

Saturday, April 6.

Remained in Albany this day and finished my business with W. & C.--had oysters in evening.

Sunday, April 7.

Staid in house (Mansion) all day with W. & C.--leave tomorrow for North East Penn.

Monday, April 8.

Left Albany 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. for Rail Road--at Utica 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. took coach for Rochester same P.M. Upset in night--no injury--rode all night.

Tuesday, April 9.

Arrived at Syracuse 8 A.M. passed thro' Clyde, Lyons, Newark, Palmyra to Rochester--lost my travelling cap that I bo't at Cologne on the Rhine--arrived at Rochester to breakfast.

Wednesday, April 10.

Left Rochester this A.M. by R. Road thro' Batavia to Buffalo, where I stopped remainder of day to do some business--no boats entered the harbour yet.

Thursday, April 11.

Left Buffalo by stage for Ripley, Chautaugus Co--near Silver Neck saw two Steamers going to Buffalo--rainy day--must ride all night--bad road thro' Cattaraugus swamp.

Friday, April 12.

Rode all last night--feel bad-- at Ripley at noon--took tea with Cousin Adams whose baptismal name is Moses -- good man--Dickson & son came up in evening.

Saturday, April 13.

Went down to N. East with Dickson--finished my business, saw his fine farm which agreed to buy--then up to village of North East to take stage, in evening went to Protracted Meeting.

Sunday, April 14.

Took coach 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. & rode all day towards Buffalo--walked 14 miles--must ride all night again.

Monday, April 15.

Reached Buffalo 4 A.M. & went to bed at American--boats entered the harbour Friday last, but ice is now blown on the shore--two boats came in today--all day at Buffalo--rainy.

Tuesday, April 16.

Left Buffalo at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. for home by way of Rochester--and Piquette and along C.N. and W. Co. at Rochester 6 P.M., about

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Wednesday, April 17.

Spent this day at Rochester-- a fine city--new bridge--aqueduct, and Rail Road bridge building--in court most of day--had game whist in evening with Mr. and Mrs. Hale & Mrs. Thompson.

Thursday, April 18.

Left Rochester at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. thro' Palmyra, Vienna to Auburn where I stopped over night to see N. Garrown, Esq.--fine day.

Friday, April 19.

Saw Mr. Garrow this morning--then took R. Road for Syracuse--at Syracuse took stage via Cherry Valley turnpike for home--rode all right--fine day.

Saturday, April 20.

Arrived at Richfield Spa. 4 A.M. and went to bed. At 10 A.M. got private conveyance home & got home 2 P.M. all well.

Sunday, April 21.

Attended church A.M. & evening heard Rev. John Smith, Jun.--fine day--happy day with wife & children--Why am I away so much?

Monday, April 22.

At Home--Circuit Court week--attended court, saw many old acquaintances that had not seen for 3 or 4 years.

Tuesday, April 23.

Attended Court.

Wednesday, April 24.

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Thursday, April 25.

Attended Court--George came home--had been to N.Y. & bot some of his goods --rainy.

Friday, April 26.

Went fishing with Parsons, Campbell and Wiston--took 30 Trout. Pleasant day.

Saturday, April 27.

Went to Hartwick with Rev. Mr. Tiffany to see my nephew Turner Leavitt & took 35 trout for Parson.

Sunday, April 28.

Church in A.M.--Home P.M. with children- happy day.

Monday, April 29.

Proposed to leave Home again to-morrow for Arlington Vt. & then to N.Y. fine day--hate to leave home so soon.

Tuesday, April 30.

Left this A.M. 5 o'clock for Troy--arrived at

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Troy at 6 P.M.

Stopped over night at Mansion House--rained this P.M., rode from Schenectady to Troy in open waggon.

Wednesday, May 1.

Left Troy at 11 A.M. by coach & horses for Cambridge --reached there 4 1/2 P.M. took plenty Trout for breakfast--fine warm day--rode with driver.

Thursday, May 2.

Spent this day at Cambridge 15 miles from Arlington--rained during the forenoon--wrote letters--& took some trout.

Friday, May 3.

Went to Arlington this A.M. in waggon--cold day--rained in the night--Expected to find Woolson & Kitteridge here but have not arrived.

Saturday, May 4.

W. & K. not come yet--done some writing & then went out and took 36 trout--have had trout for breakfast for 5 days.

Sunday, May 5.

Remained quiet at Arlington--no church--Scottish scenery here.

Monday, May 6.

Woolson arrived to-day--talked, laughed & smoked cigars--set up till past midnight--rode up to Manchester--took fine string trout--it was windy day.

Tuesday, May 7.

Left Arlington this A.M. with Woolson for Bennington--rode in light waggon & drove round country--pleasant day--reached Bennington 3 P.M. then dined & walked to lower town--sit up late, as I leave in stage in morning for N.York.

Wednesday, May 8.

Left Bennington at 9 A.M. by stage & Woolson returned Home. Windy day--reached Troy to dine, then took Boat for N.Y.--Steamer DeWitt Clinton.

Had plenty company & acquaintances--got good berth--Saw Honl. Mr. Miland Hale at Burlington.

Thursday, May 9.

Arrived in N.Y. 5 A.M. went with Mr. Bank Commissioner Davis to the Atlantic Hotel--Went up to Robert's & found him snugly in his new house. At 3 P.M. at Cambreling (?) office.

Friday, May 10.

Ran about Town to-day and done up business &c. & took Steamer Swallow for Albany. Capt. Bogart, T. Pomeroy & Mr. E. Com. Davis &c. along.

Saturday, May 11.

Arrived in Albany 4 A.M. brother Geo. came up in Rochester--took cars for Schenectady to get breakfast--left Geo. at Fort Plain--took stage and reached home 7 P.M.--found all well.

Sunday, May 12.

Went to Church --lovely day--Apple Hill is a lovely spot--Daily I become more & more attached--Home--Home is sweet.

Monday, May 13.

At Home this A.M. --But was subpoenaed by J.F. Cooper to go to Fonda in suit Cooper vs. Barber (Libel) went to F. Plain with G. A. Starkweather where staid all night--I am wanted to prove that I have heard subject matter of Libel talked about in Europe & c.

Tuesday, May 14.

At Fonda at noon--all Cooperstown here--some excitement about trial--suit did not come on to-day.
Had interesting time.

Wednesday, May 15.

Cause came on this A.M. R. Cooper opened for Plff. L. J. Walworth for Deft. (bad). Judge excluded all testimony save the publication of Libel. J. A. Spencer summoned up most eloquently for Deft. & J. F. Cooper for himself (good)--verdict \$400--Left in cars at 11 P.M. for F. Plain.

Thursday, May 16.

At Ft. Plain got a bed 1 A.M.--some 20 from Coopers-town here. Left in A.M. with D.D. Comstock for home--got home in evening--horse gave out. Village disappointed in result of suit--but it was all right.

Friday, May 17.

At Home--Everything looks lovely now--trees in blossom--air sweet & everything in nature calculated to make this spot a paradise.

Saturday, May 18.

At Home--contented and happy--Caught 40 trout today--lovely day--Mr. Campbell returned from N.Y. to night.

Sunday, May 19.

Attended church--lovely day--all look smiling & happy. Bishop to be here Tuesday to institute Rev. F. T. Tiffany Rector of Christ Church.

Monday, May 20.

At Home--attended Vestry meeting and elected the Parson Rector, a most lovely day--Went to Hartwick to see nephew.

Tuesday, May 21.

Attended church this A.M.--full house--the service solemn--Bishop preached & Lord's supper was administered.
Another lovely day.

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Wednesday, May 22.

Went Trouting with Parson Wiston--caught 106--
pleasant day, and pleasant time.

Thursday, May 23.

This day attended "Ladies' Fair" all day--dined,
supped &c. with them--lively time--These fairs are calculated
to make people give either what their (?) are unable & unwilling
to spend--proceeds about \$400 --net profit \$230.

Friday, May 24.

Went to Worcester to-day--the road hilly, but the hills &
valleys most lovely--went alone--3 years since I have been
over there--had a very pleasant & sociable time conversing
with myself.

Saturday, May 25.

At Worcester--last night it rained & hailed--This A.M.
all nature is smiling--vegetation put forth astonishingly--caught
80 trout going home--got home 7 P.M.

Sunday, May 26.

Sweet morning--at church--Mr. Tiffany preached--good--
The quiet comfort of Sunday in the country is inestimable.

Monday, May 27.

At Home--the crops look very promising--this has been
a pleasant day-- I enjoy Home more than most people I opine.

Tuesday, May 28.

At Home--Rainy day & cold--walked down the Susquehannah
3 miles altho' it was wet.

Wednesday, May 29.

Went to Westville & Middlefield today--Parson Wiston
went along--rather cold day--caught fine fry of trout coming home.

Thursday, May 30.

At Home--warm & pleasant--rode down to Hartwick with
Russell--lovely road & the Farms look very well--rain in P.M.

Friday, May 31.

At Home--This P.M. rode with I. Lewis to Col.
Benjamin's (Hartwick) caught 40 Trout--laughed a great deal at
Lewis--rained in evening--got home at 10 P.M.

Saturday, June 1.

At Home--pleasant day--cold in the evening.

Sunday, June 2.

At Church A.M.--good sermon--staid home with children
P.M. Evening got ready to leave for N.Y. in morning.

Monday, June 3.

Left for N.Y. by stage--Ch. J. Nelson, Miss Averill
Stowell & wife & Walworth passengers--road wet & bad--had a
very sociable & agreeable ride to Fort Plain & by Rail Road to
Albany--to Boat same P.M. for N.Y.

Tuesday, June 4.

In N.Y. at brother R. P. C. at breakfast--pleasant day save little cool--has been 8 or 10 days of wet weather in N.Y.--ran about the city & over to Hoboken - at 4 P.M. at business & at 10. at Brother's again.

Wednesday, June 5.

In N.Y. rained without intermission all day & evening--most disagreeable day--bot some shoes &c for family--Book for children & c.--had long talk in evening at R. P. C. dined with him--strawberries a luxury.

Thursday, June 6.

In N.Y. till 5 P.M. dined with brother with L. Moss--good dinner--reasonably pleasant weather.

Got state room & went early to bed--Bro. William left Cooperstown for Milwaukee today.

Friday, June 7.

Breakfasted in Albany--dined at F. Plain where found Mr. Campbell (father in law) & rode home with him--escaped being foundered in the mud waggon--home at 7 P.M.

Saturday, June 8.

At Home again--pleasant A.M. Thunder shower in P.M.

Sunday June 9th.

Church A.M.- at meeting P.M. warm day--Apple Hill looks lovely--it is Home.

Monday, June 10.

Accompanied Mr. Tiffany to Oneonta to attend funeral--Delightful ride--while the Parson went to the church to deliver a sermon, I took 30 Trout for him--he being an invalid--home at 9½ P.M. 44 miles travel.

Tuesday, June 11.

At Home--attended & joined the County Education Society--Mr. J. F. Cooper delivered a very excellent address--good cause, but there has been little work--all talk.

Wednesday, June 12.

At Home--cold weather & rainy--may injure corn--rode to Hartwick for butter--took Parson Tiffany along.

Read Deerbrook--an excellent Novel--no bad ingredients therein.

Thursday, June 13.

At Home--Rainy unpleasant weather--Woolson & wife arrived.

Caught 46 Trout today.

Friday, June 14.

At home--Spent day mostly with Woolson--pleasant day, for season this year

Saturday, June 15.

At Home--spent P.M. at Mr. Pomeroy's--Mr. Keese & wife, Mr. Woolson & wife.

Sunday, June 16.

Attended church--unpleasant day--Presbyterian in P.M.

Monday, June 17.

At Home--Court week, and the "Caravan" in town to-day--took children--4000 visitors--A disagreeable vulgar crowd.

Tuesday, June 18.

At Home--attended Court--pleasant weather yesterday & today.

Wednesday, June 19.

At Home--Attended Court--A.M. took trout with Parson Campbell P.M.--windy.

Thursday, June 20.

At Home--at Court--and getting ready to go journey West.

Rainy day--corn will be nearly destroyed.

Friday, June 21.

At Home--Raining--party at Mr. Keese--went in Rain--about 50 present--pleasant.

Saturday, June 22.

Had small social party at Home--At Home--rode round the Lake with Parson Wiston--rainy all day--had cucumbers at Pegg's.

Sunday June 23d.

Attended church A.M. pleasant day.

Monday, June 24.

At Home--Parson Lewis & self took 132 Trout to-day--I took 57--Rainy day.

Tuesday, June 25.

At Home--Pleasant day at Court--got ready to start for the West with wife in company with Woolson & wife.

Wednesday, June 26.

Left Home with wife, Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Woolson for the West this A.M. at 4 o'clock--stage to Fort Plain R. Road to Utica where staid over night--very pleasant day--took Bath at Utica--saw many acquaintances.

Thursday, June 27.

Left Utica by Packet for Syracuse A.M. was pleasant but cloudy. P.M. rainy--few passengers--R Road to Syracuse is done, cars thro' this day first, but ready for passengers not till 4. July, s(t)aid at Syracuse this night.

Friday, June 28.

Left Syracuse this A.M.--R.Road to Auburn where staid till 3 P.M. then extra coach to Geneva--rained all day very hard--

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Saturday, June 29.

Walked about town this A.M., wet, but pleasant day--
at 12 left for Canandaigua by stage, where staid all night
& walked about pleasant village.

Sunday, June 30.

At Canandaigua till P.M.--wrote to my dear children--
left for Rochester in stage P.M. arrived at 8 o'clock evening
most lovely day.

Monday, July 1.

At Rochester--rode about town with Hon. Vice
Chancellor Whittlesey & the ladies & also up to Mount Hope
with a party--very pleasant ride & pleasant day--Hard times
for the millers & flour speculators.

Tuesday, July 2.

Took Packet this A.M. for Lockport--had the notorious
Genl. Sutherland aboard--a great Bore--rained a little during
day--reached Lockport 12 night & stopped at Lower Town--new
married couple along--very affectionate.

Wednesday, July 3.

Walked to the upper town & along the locks with
ladies in A.M. and at 10¹/₂ took cars for Niagara Falls--14
miles--at Falls to dine--P.M. we crossed over to Miss
Victoria's side & viewed the Falls in every point--This is
my 6th visit--very pleasant day--good deal company.

Thursday, July 4.

This is the Glorious Fourth--in A.M. walked about
Goat Island--then myself & wife crossed over to Canada side &
saw 300 British regulars reviewed--fine snow & lovely day--
back & dined--cannon, guns, military ac--left at 3 P.M. in cars
for Buffalo.

Friday, July 5.

At Buffalo--dull times over about wharfs--fine
steamers--Stopped at the American--This has been fine day.

Saturday, July 6.

At Buffalo till 8 P.M. walked with wife to Dr.
Johnson's Garden--ran about town--at 8 P.M. took steamer
Cleveland--fine elegant Boat got best state rooms.

Sunday, July 7.

Lake calm--at Cleveland at 2 P.M. Stopped--church in
evening--lovely day & splendid sailing.

Monday, July 8.

At Cleveland till 5 P.M. Lady rode about Town with
Mr. & Mrs. Barber--attended court--large cocket--think of
coming here to live--like the place & people & the business
prospects--warm day--left at 3 P.M. via Sandusky for Toledo.

Tuesday, July 9.

At Toledo 9¹/₂ A.M. Took small steamer at once for

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back at 3 P.M. Mon. Mr. Beardsley home sickish--this will be a good place bye & bye.

Wednesday, July 10.

Left this A.M. 3 o'clock in Steamer Buffalo--reached Detroit at 11^{1/2}--most lovely sail--hot day--dull times here--crops very good--few strangers abroad.

Thursday, July 11.

Went to Rochester Oakland with W---to-day--very warm--bad horse but roads good 24 miles--wheat very good--lodged with Niles.

Friday, July 12.

Rode about with Niles--saw mills, farms & c. He has bo't my interest at \$12,000--returned to Detroit in P.M. & evening went to A. S. Porter's Esq. & had delightful time with wife & Mrs. W--

Saturday, July 13.

At Detroit--waiting C.C. Trowbridge Esq., to return from Ann Arbor--warm day.

Sunday, July 14.

Attended church--Saw Mr. C.C.T.--can't go to Chicago with me--evening singing--Mr. Hubbard of Utica, Mrs. Hardwick, Mr. Kimball & c. Judge Mcrell gave us seats--warm day.

Monday, July 15.

At Detroit--Spent A.M. with Mr. Trowbridge at the Bank. D.G. Jones can't go to Chicago--so have agreed to go with Mr. T. next month--Mr. Barber & lady here--took state room for Cleveland but did not get packed. Mr. Woolson to blame--warm day.

Tuesday, July 16.

At Detroit--to passage in Wisconsin for Cleveland at 8 P.M. went to Canada, ran about town--decided to be governed solely /sic/ by what I think best, the indecision & uncertainty of others, if relied on, always makes perplexity --warm day.

Wednesday, July 17.

Arrived at Cleveland 11 o'clock A.M. Gov. Mason a fellow passenger--pleasant weather--warm--stopped at American House--rode about town with Thos. Pomeroy--fine town--Hot day.

Thursday, July 18.

At Cleveland--looked after an office & house--Mr. & Mrs. Barber called.

Very Hot Day--not yet found any house or office--no rain for several days.

Friday, July 19.

At Cleveland--Mrs. Turner spent day at Mr. Barber's--I dined there--good dinner in snug cottage--another hot day--can get an office, but shall defer looking for house--Mrs. Barber goes to-morrow with us.

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Saturday, July 20.

Rented 3 rooms in Commercial Buildings for \$125--Prattiss goes in with me--shall take possession in Sept--left for Buffalo in Erie 3 P.M.--Hot day--showers.

Sunday, July 21.

At Buffalo 10 A.M. C.C. Trowbridge Esq. along--rested all day--Green Carny yesterday--warm day--showers last night--gave poor woman \$3 at Erie--husband killed--heard good news from home.

Monday, July 22.

Left Buffalo at 8 A.M. in cars for the Falls--Rained in torrents--Stopped at Falls till 3 P.M. then cars to Lewistown--where took Steamer Great Britain for Oswego--Delightful P.M. glorious sun set on Lake Ontario--Capt. paid me good attention.

Tuesday, July 23.

At Oswego 8 A.M. breakfasted. Left Master Winfield Scott Smith who was under my care--took stage for Syracuse 26 miles at 8 A.M. Break in canal--bad roads & hot day--reached Syracuse 3 1/2 P.M. Ladies so much fatigued held over till to-morrow.

Wednesday, July 24.

At Syracuse till 4 P.M. bo't presents for children--Caroline &c. Mr. Clay to be here to-morrow--hot day--reached Utica 6 P.M. Messrs. Starkweather & Oripson at Utica--took bath at "Baths"--Cars very steady on S. & U. R. Road, but rather slow movement.

Thursday, July 25.

Left Utica 6 A.M. by stage for Cooperstown--had very powerful showers--carried bridges away--rained in this section almost daily--saw no rain in 3 weeks West--reached home 7 P.M. Apple Hill looks most lovely.

Friday, July 26.

At Cooperstown, on Apple Hill--Home--lovely day--& lovely spot--at home all day, save over to Mr. Campbell's & down town once--there have been but 3 dry days since I left.

Saturday, July 27.

At Home--took some trout in P.M. warm day--Played with children, they are delighted at our return.

Sunday, July 28.

At Church--Rev. F. T. Tiffany--little rain to-day--otherwise pleasant--my two plants with me at church.

Monday, July 29.

At Home--Went with Farnon Campbell & son to Middlefield trouting and took 126 trout--fine sport--a warm & pleasant day.

Tuesday, July 30.

At Home--attended Mr. Duff's public examination of his

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Wednesday, July 31.

At Home--P.M. went to Exeter with Lewis Troutling--
had good sport--got home about 9. evening--pleasant day cool
evening.

Thursday, August 1.

At Home--pleasant day--Lake Party tomorrow--still
times--no bustle--little business--going to Cleveland.

Friday, August 2.

Lake Party--went with my two children--had Miss Pomeroy
under charge--some 90 present--danced, fished, walked--had not
been before in 8 years--very good time--lovely day--year ago
was in Glasgow.

Saturday, August 3.

At Home--worked among Hay--Woolson & wife arrived--
Woolson was with me till 10--another pleasant day.

Sunday, August 4.

One year ago this day was at Inverary Argyleshire--
at Church--Mr. Tiffany --another lovely day--long talk
with Woolson, he is going to Detroit--he says--doubt it.

Monday, August 5.

At Home--warm day--had run after Woolson's horses
in pasture--rode after some chickens--got four.

Should like to live on "Apple Hill" had I money
enough & 7 years older.

Tuesday, August 6.

At Home--Mr. & Mrs. Woolson spent day with us--
pleasant visit--rained in the evening--the day pleasant & warm.
In Glasgow one year ago this day.

Wednesday, August 7.

At Home--rather unpleasant day--only down town in A.M.
One year ago to-day I spent at Giant's Causeway Ireland.
Memorable day to me.

Thursday, August 8.

Went to Springfield with Rev. F.T. Tiffay, had a
delightful day with him--weather warm--

Got home 6 P.M. & took a fry of Trout coming home for
the Parson.. I was in Belfast one year ago this night.

Friday, August 9.

Went to Middlefield with Mr. Russell--had excellent dinner
of Trout at North's--little rain & rather cool weather for
season.

In Dublin year ago this day.

Saturday, August 10.

Small Lane Party to-day. Mr. & Mrs. Pomeroy,
Mr. & Mrs. Keese, Mr. & Mrs. Woolson, Mrs. Comstock,
Miss Ann Cooper, Miss Pomeroy--most lovely day--just cool
enough--pleasant party & pleasant sail--all in one boat.

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Sunday, Aug. 11.

Church- Mr. Tiffany A.M. In P.M. went to Presbyterian & heard stranger preach about insane, converts &c--This day one year I was in Liverpool--to me interesting day.

Monday, August 12.

Went to Worcester with Parson Campbell, took good fry of trout, cloudy day--staid over night at Westford--rained some this day.

Tuesday, August 13.

In morning fished in Elk creek with Parson--good success--in P.M. net very good--returned home in evening--warm day--and violent exercise.

Wednesday, August 14.

At Home--Woodson left yesterday--pleasant but warm day.

Thursday, August 15.

At Home--got ready to go to N.E. with son & niece--pleasant day.

Friday, August 16.

Left in stage for N.E. via Troy--left R.R. at Schenectady & took coach for Troy--rained all P.M. & rode out-side--reached Troy 7 P.M.

Saturday, August 17.

At Troy till 11 A.M. run about city with son--Mr. Clay to be here to-day--banners are flying--Left on coach & horses--22 passengers--rode all night thro Pittsford, Coler to Castleton, Vt., thence to Middlebury where arrived at 6 A.M.

Sunday, Aug. 18.

At Middlebury Vt. heard President Bates' address to the graduating class--took niece home 4 miles--very warm day--went to bed early--one year to-day left London for Rotterdam in steamer.

Monday, August 19.

Left Middlebury this morning in waggon & rode 8 miles into mountains where I spent the day fishing trout waiting stage--caught 16 pound--town of Ripton--hot day--fine fishing.

Tuesday, August 20.

Left this A.M. in stage for Montpelier thro' Hardwick, Warren, Waitsfield, down Mad river to Union, thence to the capital--lovely romantic ride. Spent evening at Senator Prentiss'--the Capitol fine granite--hot day.

Wednesday, August 21.

Left this A.M. Montpelier for St. Johnsbury to visit my father, mother & sister--reached there 2 P.M. interesting ride & good coach--passed thro' Cabot & Danville--very hot day--found family all well--my good mother rejoiced to see me & son.

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Thursday, August 22.

Left St. Johnsbury at 2 P.M. for Claremont N.H.
Father took me to Haverhill--hard storm compelled us to stay
the night at Wells river.

Friday, August 23.

Drove 10 miles this A.M. to Haverhill where staid
till 2 P.M. & took coach for Claremont 30 miles--warm day--
Haverhill pretty town--ride thro Oxford, Hanover, Windsor
along Connecticut river lovely--at Claremont till. at night.

Saturday, August 24.

At Claremont N.H.--In A.M. rode out 3 miles to
see my sister--dined with Woolson--pleasant day.

Sunday, August 25.

At Church--Bishop Griswold preached--his voice has failed--
dined with Woolson & tead with Doct. Kittredge--very warm
day--saw many acquaintances of my youth.

(One year today on the Rhine)

Monday, August 26.

At Claremont--rode out to my sister's--walked about
town with son--called on old friends--dined with Doct. E--
& spent evening pleasantly with others at Woolsons--
hot day--dry.

Tuesday, August 27.

Left Claremont this A.M. with Woolson for Mellowe Falls--
dined at Charleston--reached the Falls at 3 P.M. called on
Mr. Grout--run about Falls with son--remained here all night--
hot day--very hot.

Wednesday, August 28.

Left the Falls this A.M. in two horse stage
coach for Wilmington--thro New Fane road most wild & lovely--
stopped to pick berries--fish etc. very warm day--rode only
40 miles staid over night at Wilmington--bad accommodations.

Thursday, August 29.

Left for Troy in coach 20 passengers - extra coach--
walked over Green Mountains--dined at Bennington--g od roads--
hot dusty travelling--got at Mansion House Albany 8 P.M.

Friday, August 30.

At Albany to-day--run about & did my business--cold day &
fires lighted.

Saturday, August 31.

Left Albany for Home--arrived at Apple Hill 7 P.M.
& read Capt. Murryatt's Diary thro while riding--not very
creditable to the Capt.

Sunday, Sept. 1.

At Home--at Church--Mr. Tiffany--pleasant day--
One year ago sailing down the Rhine.

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Monday, September 2.

At Home--pleasant day and spent it happily at home with family.

Tuesday, September 3.

At Home--pleasant day--Mrs. R. P. Campbell dined here to-day in P.M. went to Mr. Bowers to a "sociable."

Wednesday, September 4.

At Home--another pleasant day--Evening at H. Cooper's. One year to-day in Aix la Chapelle.

Thursday, September 5.

At Home--rained hard in A.M. weather warm.
At Liege one year to-day.

Friday, September 6.

At Home -
Pleasant day--& Cooperstown looks lovely.

Saturday, September 7.

At Home--went out on lake in P.M. with Mr. Cook.

Sunday, September 8.

No church save at Universalist--attended-rainy day.

Monday, September 9.

At Home--First day of Court Circuit--J.F. Cooper criminal indictment vs. Jas. W. Webb postponed till 1840--

Some Fun among counsel--as causes on calendar--little of interest or profit.

Tuesday, September 10.

At Home--Court adjourned at 4 P.M. pleasant day--dined at Glendorf's--saw many of my old friends & acquaintances this day & yesterday.

Wednesday, September 11.

At Home--cold day--all the "Democrats" are crazy about the President's visit on Saturday.

Whigs don't unite in the reception.

Thursday, September 12.

At Home--cold day--last year this day was pleasant one in France.

Friday, September 13.

At Home--Committee went to Fort Plain to receive Presd.

Pleasant day.

Saturday, September 14.

At Home--President arrived at 2 o'clock some 1:00 people--very warm & dusty day--fine reception--honour for the County & to the Presd.--he dined with Ch. Jas. Nelson.

Sunday, September 15.

At Epis. Church A.M. President attended & was not

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Mr. Cooper & supped with Mr. Bowers.

Monday, September 16.

Went to Cherry Valley--arrived there just in time to hear & see the President's reception--wet muddy day & a mussy reception--Genl. moster too--no covering.

Tuesday, September 17.

At Home--pleasant day--Genl. review of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ regiments--much bustle--pedlars--juglers &c.

Wednesday, September 18.

Went up lake with Parsons Campbell & Winston fishing--had good time--In evening rained hard but went to party in evening at the Morehouses--Mr. H. Campbell gone to N. York.

Thursday, September 19.

At Home--invited to Mr. Keese's in evening--did not go--pleasant day.

Friday, September 20.

At Home--in P.M. went up Lake 3 miles with Parsons Wiston & Campbell & caught two pickeral--they took none--Circus in town--sent my two dear children.

Saturday, September 21.

At Home--Mr. & Mrs. Campbell returned from N.Y. In evening went to the circus with Mrs. Scott & Miss Storrs--my wife had good sense enough to stay at home--the Circus less vulgar than any I have attended in the country.

Sunday, September 22.

At Presbyterian Church in A.M. & Universalist in P.M. fine day & also yesterday.

Monday, September 23.

Went to Cherry Valley & bo't the Library of Don Marvin Esq., \$710--rode out 12 miles in 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour--cold day--staid over night with Uncle James Campbell.

Tuesday, September 24.

Returned from Cherry Valley--Packed my miscellaneous Library 150 volumes & marked them for Cleaveland--cold day--

Brother William Campbell died this day 7 a.m. at Prairie Du Chien--Fort Crawford.

Wednesday, September 25.

At home--invited to Mr. Scott's--did not go--wrote an article for Otsego Republican "Universal Suffrage"--Mr. Morehouse having lauded the President for being in its favor when in State Convention --not so--(see article)

Brother William buried in Port at Prairie Du Chien, 3 P.M. this day.

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Thursday, September 26.

Went to Cherry Valley with brother George in P.M. & packed the Law Library box as aforesaid.

Very cold bleak day.

Friday, September 27.

Returned from Cherry Valley--sent off Locks to Fort Plain--windy & cold.

In London one year this day.

Saturday, September 28.

At Home--got ready to leave for Cleveland on Monday--cold day.

Sunday Sept. 29.

Church at Presbyterian in A.M.--at Home with children in P.M. Packed my trunk in evening--cold day.

Monday, September 30.

Left Home for Cleveland via stage at 2 A.M.

Left F. Plain 1 P.M. Utica 3 P.M. & Syracuse on Packet Boat 8th evening--Genl. Dwight & Trowbridge along--cold day--one year this day left London for Portsmouth on my way Home from the Continent.

Tuesday, October 1.

On Canal between Syracuse & Rochester this day--cold day--reached Rochester 6 P.M. to bed at 8 P.M. Packet travelling horrible when crowded.

In Portsmouth England one year this day.

Wednesday, October 2.

Left Rochester by Ridge Road at 6th--very windy day--reached Lockport 3 P.M. 60 miles--pleasant ride--took cars for Niagara Falls at 5 P.M. and reached there at 7. evening--lodged at "Cataract House"--One year this day left Portsmouth England in Packet Ship Toronto for Home.

Thursday, October 3.

At Falls of Niagara. In A.M. went on to Goat Island & around Falls on American side--A young Gen from Boston said he came to see & had rather see the Queen's soldiers on other side than Falls!! at 2nd P.M. took cars for Buffalo--Stopped at American Hotel.

Friday, October 4.

At Buffalo--Mr. Trowbridge arrived--saw Kimball, Scranton & Stow. My wish to buy up their notes--must stay over--Went to Theatre in evening--Mr. and Mrs. Lewis--1st time attended Theatre for 11 months--pleasant day--Buffalo Harbour & city lively.

Saturday, October 5.

At Buffalo--Dined with Mr. Kimball--called on Mr. & Mrs. Calcott--pleasant weather.

Sunday, October 6.

At Buffalo--warm day--did not go to Church--at 3 P.M.

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(Sun. Oct. 6-cont'd)

One year this day on the Atlantic.

Monday, October 7.

Arrived at Cleveland 3 P.M.--had a good Lake trip--pleasant weather--In evening called on Prentiss--sick--then attended Whig meeting--some good speaking & Wors had talking--election to-morrow.

Tuesday, October 8.

At Cleveland--election day--run about town, to get tables, chairs, boarding house for family this winter &c.--warm day.

Wednesday, October 9.

Recd painful news this A.M. of death of Brother William at Prairie Du Chien--taken away among strangers in prime of life--The dealings of Providence are inscrutable.

Agreed to Board at American House in Cleveland \$14 per week - wrote to my dear wife--her dear brother is dead.

Warm day.

Thursday, October 10.

At Cleveland--cloudy but warm--got ready to go to Columbiana Co. to get admitted to practice--89 miles--wrote letter of thanks to M. Childs Esq., for attending William during his sickness--also went to C. C. Trowbridge, Esq. of Detroit.

Friday, October 11.

Left Cleveland--horse & sulky for New Lisbon thro' Bedford, Twinsburg, Ravenna, Edinburg where got fresh horse--40 miles--then drove thro' to Salem township--slept here log house--but comfortable--drove 60 miles--roads good--a clay soil--grass section--warm & pleasant.

Saturday, October 12.

Left this A.M. at 8--thro' village of Salem to New Lisbon at 9 1/2 A.M.--was examined by Commissioner of Bar P.M. & qualified in court to practice in all Courts of Record & Chancery in Ohio--Left at 5 P.M. for Cleveland & drove to Salem.

Sunday, October 13.

Left Salem at 5 A.M. & rode 17 miles to breakfast--took same road back--some showers--reached Cleveland at tea --180 miles since Friday A.M.

The country is rolling, clay soil & heavy timber--grass, beef--some corn, but little wheat--roads very slippery when wet.

Monday, October 14.

At Cleveland--got my Library into office from store house--excitement about suspension of Phila & Baltimore Banks--Uncertain times--called on Mrs. Beebe--got ready to return to Otsego for family--very pleasant weather.

Tuesday, October 15.

At Cleveland till P.M. when left in Steam Boat Sandusky for Buffalo--Warm summerylike weather--Lake smooth--had a Pamphlet pedlar & Lecturer on Board--saw Mr. Clark at Fair Port.

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Wednesday, October 16.

Arrived at Buffalo this A.M. to breakfast.

Then left 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ for Rochester by stage--At Batavia took Rail Road & reached Rochester 3 P.M.--staid at Eagle Tavern--had oysters in evening with Detroit travellers.

Thursday, October 17.

Left Rochester at 3 A.M. in stage for Auburn 68 miles--breakfasted at Palmyra reached Auburn 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. took R. Road at 3. & was at Syracuse at 6 and at Utica at 8 P.M., where slept over night--saw Col. Stone.

Friday, October 18.

Left Utica by stage this A.M. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ for Home. Drove 18 miles to dinner & then 14 miles in 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ --then 13 m. to Cooperstown in 3 hours--50 miles from 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ A.M. to 8 P.M.--warm day--insufferably slow & vexatious day's ride--found my dear family well.

Saturday, October 19.

At Home--moved many things & got ready to go to N. York Monday--dined at Mr. Campbell's.

Mrs. Scott goes with me to city--Mrs. C---& my dear wife mourn the death of brother William sorely--cold evening.

Sunday, October 20.

Cold day--to church in Cooperstown with all family.

Monday, October 21.

Left for N.Y. by stage. Mrs. Scott under my charge--Steamer DeWitt Clinton--very cold this A.M.--warm day--Doct. Campbell along.

Tuesday, October 22.

Arrived in city 3 A.M. left Mrs. Scott & lodged myself with Bro' Robt--most alarming pecuniary crisis. Banks or merchants & may be both must fail--warm day.

Wednesday, October 23.

In N.Y.--run about town, done my business--warm day--attended wedding party at L.A. Cashman's in evening--Mr. B. Smith married--large party--at bed at 1 A.M.

Thursday, October 24.

In city--called on great many merchants--warm day--spent evening alone with Bro' Robt--Family all gone to Opera--result of crisis in city is yet uncertain.

Friday, October 25.

Closed all my business--got all my purchases--dined at 3 with Bro' Robt, at his house--Left city at 5 P.M. in Boat Swallow for Albany--Mrs. W.B.C. & Family--Uncle Doct' ac along--Sat up all night --hard.

Saturday, October 26.

Reached Albany 4 A.M. breakfasted & then left for home--warm summer day--all excitement & uncertainty--money-politics &c &c--got home at Mr. Campbell's 3 P.M. found family all well.

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copy of the

Sunday Oct. 27.

Attended church in A.M.--Text "owe no man anything"--
pleasant day--At home with dear wife in P.M.

Monday, October 28.

At Cooperstown, sold sleigh \$120--Mr. Campbell went
to N. Berlin--pleasant weather--Election makes little stir--
monetary affairs great deal.

Tuesday, October 29.

At Home--bought mourning dress for wife--pleasant day--
Mrs. Pomeroy at tea.

Wednesday, October 30.

At Cooperstown--Mr. Campbell returned--pleasant day--
Mrs. Foote at tea.

Getting ready to move to Cleveland--Banks suspended--
thro' Union generally save N. York--dreadful times.

Thursday, October 31.

At Cooperstown--packed box &c.--another pleasant day--
this has been an uncommonly pleasant fall.

Friday, November 1.

At Cooperstown--Comstock came up--had some fun--Election
makes more stir--State will be doubtful.

Saturday, November 2.

At Cooperstown--pleasant day--sent off box--monetary
affairs worse if it is possible--country never more excited &
deranged.

Sunday, November 3.

At Church at Court House, repairing church--my dear boy
threatened with scarlet fever--cool day--but pleasant.

Monday, November 4.

At Cooperstown--1st day of election--very pleasant--
Stark^r drunk as usual.

Tuesday, November 5.

At Cooperstown--cool day--the usual talk, drinking,
swearing &c as on all elections--I take no active part as I
leave the State.

Wednesday, November 6.

At Cooperstown--rainy, snowy, windy & wintry day--
election in village, some of most notable Locos drunk as usual--
Shall leave in morning. Dickson's sons from Penn came--
Mr. Campbell goes along with us to attend Bank convention
at Auburn.

Thursday, November 7.

Left Cooperstown at 1 A.M. with Belknap for F. Plain--
family in stage with Mr. Campbell--reached F. Plain before
day light--then after breakfast went to St. Johnsville--snow
one foot deep on hills--joined family at St. Johnsville--
reached Syracuse at 11 P.M.--snow detained--took packet.

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Friday, November 8.

On Packet all day--cold snowy day--kept below mostly--uncomfortable travelling--reached Rochester at 12 midnight and took Packet at once for Buffalo.

Saturday, November 9.

On Canal--another cold bleak snowy day--reached Buffalo at 12 midnight & got most excellent lodgings at American & to bed.

Sunday Nov. 10.

At Buffalo at room all day--election news says Whigs have the State--hope so--Family all well--pleasant day.

Monday, November 11.

At Buffalo--done business with Mr. Recorder Stow & took passage on U. States Steamer for this evening 8 o'clock--American excellent house--Whigs have carried the State--Michigan entirely Whig also--went on board of boat at 8 o'clock but boat did not leave till 11 1/2--calm & pleasant.

Tuesday, November 12.

On Lake Erie--had all family in state room & passed comfortable night--calm day--at Erie about 11 1/2 A.M. at 2 P.M. boat took fire--1 miles from land--got ready with family to jump into Lake--awful time--fire extinguished--150 passengers--Did not go to bed.

Wednesday, November 13.

Landed at Cleveland 6 A.M. & got family and luggage to my lodgings at American House. Pleasant day--engaged in getting settled in boarding & in office.

Thursday, November 14.

At Cleveland--comfortably settled--office opened--ready for business--cold windy day.
Had a client today--this first one--got \$5 from him.

Friday, November 15.

At Cleveland--which means technically at Home--warm weather--find myself happy in being again settled ready & prepared for business--got signs up "Turner & Prentiss."

Saturday, November 16.

At Home--very pleasant day--summer like--in office all day & evening till 8 o'clock.

Sunday, November 17.

Attended church at D.D. Akins'--heard an old fashioned Presbyterian sermon--old school doctrine.
Rained P.M. and staid in my room with wife.

Monday, November 18.

In office all day--stormy & windy--got pew in Episcopal church \$50--
I read a great deal and am happy with my family.

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Tuesday, November 19.

In office all day--continuous cold and windy--Lake winds severe--4 boats wind bound here-- Dr. Kittredge on one--
Wrote letters & read all day.

Wednesday, November 20.

In office--cold & windy--boats all still bound here--
had another suit to-day being suit No. 2.

Thursday, November 21.

In office--Boats left this P.M. the weather improving
a little--had many calls in office--Am satisfied with prospects.

Friday, November 22.

In office--made some calls with wife in A.M. read &
wrote letters--come to my room usually between 8 & 9 usually &
go to bed about 11 o'clock.

Saturday, November 23.

In office--pleasant morning but cold & blustering
evening.

Sunday, November 24.

Warm but cloudy day--at Epis. Church all day--good
singing--sound but not eloquent sermonizing--evening called
with wife on Mr. and Mrs. Benedict.

Monday, November 25.

In office all day--read steadily--cold weather for
this region--I am quite happy my family settled & contented.

Tuesday, November 26.

In office--warmer--had steamer from Buffalo--Mail--
& papers--severe times in monetary affairs in N. York yet.
Have pleasant evenings after 9 o'clock in my room
with wife.

Wednesday, November 27.

At office--commenced suit to-day--as I have a client--
warm but damp-weather--changed rooms & am better pleased.

Thursday, November 28.

At office--read as usual--commenced copying my Diary in
Europe evenings.
Thos. F. Pomeroy called at room & spent evening.

Friday, November 29.

At office--read & wrote all day--I am contented & happy
with my family. James is of great service--takes good care of
children & of Mrs. Turner.

Saturday, November 30.

At office--another mail--British Queen ar'd--letters from
Home & N.Y.--warm weather.

Sunday, Dec. 1.

At church in A.M. Communion day & staid at home P.M.
Warm day but lowrey damp weather.

Monday, December 2.
At home--at office--studious.

Tuesday, December 3.
First day of Court Con. Pleas--
Attended Court.

Wednesday, December 4.
Attended Court--evening in office.

Thursday, December 5.
At Court

Friday, December 6.
At Court

Saturday, December 7.
At Court

Sunday, Dec. 8.
Attended Church.

Monday, December 9.
At Court

Tuesday, December 10.
At Court

Wednesday, December 11.
At Court

Thursday, December 12.
At Court

Friday, December 13.
At Court

Saturday, December 14.
At Court

Sunday, December 15.
At Church

Monday, December 16.
At Court

Tuesday, December 17.
At Court

Wednesday, December 18.
At Court

Thursday, December 19.
At Court

Friday, December 20.
At Court

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Saturday, December 31.

At Court- Adjourned till 26th.

Sunday, December 22.

At Church all day.

Monday, December 23.

At office--making opinion in case Cleveland Bank
vs. Beebe & Allen.

\$27,000 involved.

Tuesday, December 24.

At office as yesterday.

Could not get into church this evening--crowded.

Wednesday, December 25.

Christmas--at Church this A. M.

Good Christmas dinner.

No snow, cold.

Thursday, December 26.

At Court

Friday, December 27.

At Court--This evening made a speech in Whig meeting--
responding to the nominations of Harrison & Tyler.

Saturday, December 28.

Court adjourned to Monday next.

Cold weather.

Sunday, Dec. 29.

Church A.M.- at meeting P.M.

Monday, December 30.

Court adjourned sine die.

Cold weather--finished my opinion Bank vs. Beebe et al.

Tuesday, December 31.

This is the last day of 1835--cold day--in office all
day--in the evening attended the revival meeting now going on
with wife.

Thus closes the last day of this eventful year.

JANUARY.

Spent this month in city of New York at No. 11 5th Avenue--arrived here from Cooperstown (wife & son) Nov. last. Made 44 calls New Years day--spent a very quiet month, mostly at home--weather generally mild--but a few days of the month below zero--My little Jane with her Grandmother--Campbell goes to the University primary school--L. H. Hobby teacher--This has been a month of inactivity of body and much anxiety of mind.

Pleasant Boarding at Mrs. Wood's--Myself & family enjoyed good health--No sleighing here this month. Have read considerable & reflected much--find myself a pretty good philosopher--I can quite patiently & without loss of courage & determination endure disappointment, reverses of fortune, ingratitude &c &c.

FEBRUARY.

This month in city with wife and son--heard of the gale on Jan. 7th last on English coast--Three American Packets lost--St. Andrew, Pennsylvania & Oxford--many lives lost--mild weather & many days like summer. This month spent much like the last. Business prospects of the city & country good. I have been married nine years 23d of this month--have travelled tens of thousands of miles--been blessed with good health, more happiness than falls to the lot of most men &c--How much I have seen & experienced in 9 years last past--enough to reflect upon during life--Maine boundary war this month--two Steamers from Europe this month the Great Eastern & Liverpool--first winter passages--Message of President to Congress about Maine last week of session.

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MARCH.

Remained in New York till the 13d. Mercantile business very dull--Money very tight--quite as tight as during the Suspension--The business interests of the country are not sound yet--The old wound is not healed--The croakers say we shall have another suspension.

Banks in Michigan & some at the extreme South & South West have stopped, exchanges getting bad again.

Spent some very happy days at Home last of this month on Apple Hill with my dear family--I have seen enough of the world & would now rejoice to remain at home with my family--I could read, think, reflect & play with & teach my children most contentedly the residue of my days.

APRIL.

The money market in N. York during nearly all this month was exceedingly tight--business very dull until the very last of the month--when it became unusually active.

Saw Mr. Webster in N. York last month when he told me he should go to England in May--hope he will on my account--The Main War has died away--news from England conciliatory--N. Biddle Esq. resigned his place as Presdt. of U.S.E. this month--going to Europe for his health.

I have been at home about half of this month--and there is no place like Home--A kind & affectionate wife & a noble healthy son & lovely daughter are better than great riches.

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MAY.

This has been a pleasant month to me--Have been at home a good deal--The season is very promising--The business of the country is reviving and confidence returning--The last days of this month were rainy & cold--Mr. Webster left for England in Steamer Liverpool--The British Whig cabinet resigned & in 48 hours resumed their places again. French cabinet finally forced Loult President of Council--Our own government in quiescent state at present. Mr. VanBuren signified his intention of visiting his own state this summer--Our own village little excited by the Cooper Libel suit but his success rather humbled his opponents--My wife & children in good health & my own this month--Great blessing.

JUNE.

This has been a very delightful month--a good deal of rain the first half. The wheat crops throughout the country were never better--First of month went to New York for few days, then at "Apple Hill" in quiet retirement with family the last of month, then left for the West with C. J. Woolson & lady with my wife--had a delightful journey, stopping at Auburn, Geneva, Canandaigua, Lockport, the Falls, Buffalo, Cleaveland, Toledo & Detroit. Found my affairs in very encouraging condition at Detroit. My Oakland interest sold for \$25,000--Mr. Trowbridge could not go to Chicago till next August, so went no further west than Detroit--Have resolved to go to Cleaveland to live--Think can make money & be able to return to Otsego in 5 to 8 years--The millers & produce dealers

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country embarrassed as yet.

JULY.

Returned from the West the 25th. This has been a delightful month--crops in Ohio & Michigan heavy--The Steamer British Queen arrived this month--I saw her in Glasgow about one year ago--Money affairs in England tight--interest 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6 per cent--The harvest here will be unusually abundant but money will continue to be very scarce--wheat in Ohio & Michigan 5/ per bushel in Illinois 3/ to 4/.

I have rented rooms at Cleaveland & shall go there in Sept. Frederick J. Prentiss Esq., son of Senator Prentiss of Vermont in office with me--We must do well.

It is painful to take my children from Otsego Co. for it is a most healthy section & no better place to educate them-- Shall return to Apple Hill I hope in 2 years--& can send my children back to school soon--this month a year I was in Europe.

AUGUST.

This has been a pleasant month to me--First part at Home with my Family--last part/^{went} with my son to see my Parents & sisters in N. England--Old New England is a good country after all--Hill & dale, mountains, brooks & rivers--Scottish scenery.

The money affairs of the country are still unsettled & precarious. Most of the States have stopped their Public Works--business is sluggish--enterprise & energy subdued.

I found my parents & sisters well & quite prosperous & happy. It did my heart good to see my mother again--I go to Cleaveland to reside & shall of course be more at home hereafter.

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SEPTEMBER.

This month I spent at Home on Apple Hill & very pleasantly - with my dear wife & children--at such a lovely spot how happy I could live, had I no cares & vexations--purchased a library and prepared to move to Cleveland--The money market almost insufferably tight in N.Y., stock low, money from 12 to 3 per month.

President VanBuren visited Otsego this month--His visit was most obviously a political one.

Steam has now so annihilated space, that London & N.Y. are in 12 to 13 days sail of each other.--The prospect is now another suspension of specie payments--I go to Ohio and shall make a strong effort to succeed in business & consideration--The health of myself & family is good, which is the greatest of blessings--This month last year was in Europe.

OCTOBER.

I travelled a good deal this month.

Went to Cleveland Ohio, and made arrangements to locate in that city & got admitted into all the Courts--then went to N. York and remained there one week.

Banks in Penn. & most southern states suspended specie payments again this month. The Mercantile & Commercial interests must be quite destroyed --every interest is seriously injured. This month (18th) completed my 33d year. I am still young, good health, good constitution & good habits, and altho have lost a fortune after making it, I still have good courage.

My desires are more limited than formerly--I shall commence again full of faith, with moderated desires.

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NOVEMBER.

This has been a month big with great failures, losses & general distress in the business world--In the Political N. York nobly sustained & completely redeemed herself--She is now entirely Whig--Michigan is also entirely redeemed--all branches Whig--but the "Old Bay State" has either lost her Gov. & Legislature, or come so near it, that frightened all but to death--so close is the election that can't tell who is Gov. Everett or Morton till legislature meets--I got family & comfortably settled in Cleveland Ohio this month, and opened my office for business.

Navigation continued open on the Lake (Erie) during all this month.

Every kind of produce is less by over 1/2 than last year--living is cheap--but the difficulty is to get the little to buy the cheap living with.

DECEMBER.

This month I have enjoyed much real comfort & happiness--I have daily attended the Court of Com. Pleas for three weeks--read a good deal & enjoyed the quiet and consolation of domestic life.

Huntington & Campbell, a House in which I was special partner of \$50,000 again suspended this month & like thousands of others will probably be compelled to stop & lose all.

Having long since made up my mind to lose my whole investment there, their failure, as far as my own loss is concerned, did not trouble me seriously--I can get a living & I think make money in my profession while they are dependent upon the mercantile business, which is ruinous these times--

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Congress 26th did not organize & receive message till
26th inst.

This month closes the year 1860, a year fruitful
of disappointed hopes, distress, ruin--Never before did
this country exhibit so general & wide spread distress, so
great contempt of Law & legal restraint. Such a spirit
of disorganization as during the past year--Our State
Legislature has been overawed and dispersed by a lawless
mob, and our National Legislature is at this moment, or
at last intelligence, a scene of disorganization & tumult.

When will the end of these things be? Our
administration must be changed--or our Institutions & our
liberties are lost Forever.

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